MPO RESOLUTION # 27-04

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY'S POSITION TO UPDATE THE EAST-WEST TRANSIT CORRIDOR STUDY AND TO CONSIDER ALL OPTIONS AS APPROPRIATE

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Agreement creating and establishing the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Miami Urbanized Area requires that the MPO provide a structure to evaluate the adequacy of the transportation planning and programming process, and

WHEREAS, the People's Transportation Plan envisioned the expansion of the existing rapid transit system to include an East-West Corridor, a portion of which was proposed to extend from the Miami Intermodal Center (MIC) at the Miami International Airport, to the Florida Turnpike and Florida International University, in an alignment adjacent to the existing State Road 836; and

WHEREAS, the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA) has proposed the "Dolphin Project" to extend commuter rail in Miami-Dade County from the MIC to the Dolphin Mall in West Miami-Dade utilizing the CSX rail tracks adjacent to State Road 836; and

WHEREAS, federal funding for both the SFRTA's Dolphin Project and Miami-Dade County's East-West Corridor project may be jeopardized without a coordinated effort between both organizations; and

WHEREAS, the MPO Board supports the County's recommendation that all work performed should be in close coordination with the SFRTA as explained in the attached memorandum made a part hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA:

SECTION 1. That Miami-Dade County's position to update the East-West Transit Corridor Study and to consider all options as appropriate is hereby supported.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Board Member Dennis C. Moss, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Board Member Bruno A. Barreiro	-Aye	Board Member Raul L. Martinez	-Aye
Board Member Joe J. Celestin	-Absent	Board Member Jimmy L. Morales	-Absent
Board Member Jose "Pepe" Diaz	-Absent	Board Member Dennis C. Moss	-Aye
Board Member Manuel A. Diaz	-Aye	Board Member Dorrin Rolle	-Aye
Board Member Betty T. Ferguson	-Aye	Board Member Natacha Seijas	-Aye
Board Member Shirley M. Gibson	-Aye	Board Member Darryl K. Sharpton	-Absent
Board Member Perla T. Hantman	-Aye	Board Member Jose Smith	-Aye
Board Member Sally A. Heyman	-Absent	Board Member Katy Sorenson	-Absent
Board Member William H. Kerdyk	-Absent	Board Member Rebeca Sosa	-Absent
Board Member M. Ronald Krongold	l -Aye	Board Member Javier D. Souto	-Aye
Board Member Joe A. Martinez	-Absent	Chairperson Barbara M. Carey-Shuler	-Aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and approved this 27th day of May, 2004.

By

Jose-Luis Mesa
MPO Secretariat